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GSA BULLETIN FPMR B-39
ARCHIVES AND RECORDS

TO: Heads of Federal agencies

SUBJECT: Withdrawal of authority to dispose of records

1. Purpose. In accordance with the authority in FPMR 101-11.406-8, this bulletin announces withdrawal of disposal authorizations covering records listed in disposal schedules (44 U.S.C. 2909), specifically those relating to military service of individuals.

2. Expiration date. This bulletin contains information of a continuing nature and will remain in effect until canceled.

3. Background.

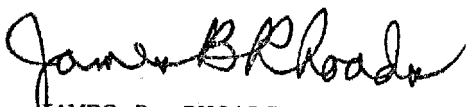
a. A recent fire at the Military Personnel Records Center building, St. Louis, Missouri, destroyed the service records of many former members of the Armed Forces.

b. An interagency committee, comprised of representatives of agencies affected by the fire, has been established to identify destroyed information that can be recreated from other Government records.

4. Procedures.

a. All Federal agencies are requested to immediately suspend disposal of any records that may be used to reconstitute service records of former members of the Armed Forces. These include records containing information as to the dates and length of military service, physical injuries or mental impairment related to military service, or other aspects of military service.

b. Each agency is requested to provide a brief description of the records series affected by this bulletin to the General Services Administration (NC), Washington, DC 20408. This description should show the inclusive dates of the records, approximate volume in cubic feet, and a summary of information provided by the records.



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